

REMARKS

I. Restriction Requirement Summary

The Examiner has required restriction of claims 1 – 23 to a single invention under 35 U.S.C. § 121 and § 372. Claims 1 – 23 are subjected to a restriction requirement as follows:

Group I: Claims 1 – 12, drawn to an article made of a magnesium alloy tube; and

Group II: Claims 13 – 23, drawn to a process for manufacture of a tube from a billet made of a magnesium alloy.

II. Response to Restriction Requirement

Applicants hereby elect claims 13 – 23 of Group II, without traverse. Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter.

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CONCLUSION

Having made the required election, examination on the merits is earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner deem that any further action by Applicants' undersigned representative is desirable and/or necessary, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number set forth below.

In the event this paper is not timely filed, Applicants petition for an appropriate extension of time. Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

Respectfully submitted,

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